

City of Flemington

December 11th, 2018

PRESENT: Mayor Paul Hawkins
Mayor Pro Tem Palmer Dasher
Council Member Donnie Smith
Council Member David Edwards
Council Member Gail Evans
Council Member Rene Harwell
Council Member Keith Moran

ALSO PRESENT: City Attorney Thomas Giannotti (in lieu of Craig Stafford)
City Clerk Jenelle Gordon

ABSENT: None

1. The regularly scheduled meeting of the City of Flemington was called to order by Mayor Hawkins on Tuesday, December 11th, 2018 at 4:36 pm. in the conference room at City Hall in Flemington, GA. A quorum necessary to conduct business was visibly present.
2. Invocation by Councilman Edwards, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance by Councilman Dasher.
3. *Councilman Moran made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the November meeting and to approve them as written. Councilman Dasher seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed.*
4. Council reviewed the City Expense Report for November.
5. Mayor Hawkins gave the second and final reading of the synopsis of the Charter Amendment Ordinance under Home Rule. (Published in the Coastal Courier 11/10, 11/17 and 11/24/18). *Councilman Dasher made a motion to accept the Charter Amendment. Councilwoman Evans seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed.*
6. Bill Ross, of Ross & Associates, presented the second reading of the Impact Fee Ordinance. (Printed in the Coastal Courier on 11/10). There was no Council discussion. Mayor Hawkins opened the comments to the public. There were no public comments. *Councilman Edwards motioned to adopt the Impact Fee Ordinance. Councilwoman Harwell seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed.*
7. Larry Golden, of Golden and Associates CPA's, presented the preliminary FY18 Financial Report of the city. Mr. Golden stated that the city is in overall good form. He notified Council that he found the largest expenditures to the city were for fire protection services and solid waste collection. His recommendation for fire protection was to research alternatives, such as county-wide services, and for solid waste costs to be relinquished to the residents. Mr. Golden stated that a slight realignment to balance the city's budget for the fiscal year was necessary. *Councilman Dasher motioned to approve the adjustment to the budget. Councilwoman Smith seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed.*

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8. Matthew Barrow, of P.C. Simonton and Associates presented to Council.
 - a. The 2019 LMIG project list was submitted to the Department of Transportation. The 2019 LMIG is \$14,555.22 with a 30% match by the city. The submission list was the same as last year, with the addition of Kallquist Drive improvements and Wallace Martin resurfacing. Mr. Barrow stated that the list, although submitted, is not set in stone.
 - b. Mr. Barrow updated Council that Shawn Court should be paved later in December through the beginning of January 2019.
 - c. Mr. Barrow stated that upon the request of Council, he could draft a letter to GDOT to reclassify Old Sunbury Road as a State route. *Councilwoman Evans made a motion to proceed with the drafting of a letter for Old Sunbury Road to a State route. Councilwoman Harwell seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed.*

9. *Councilman Dasher made a motion to enter Executive Session for the purpose of Personnel Bonuses. Councilman Edwards seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed. Council exited into Executive Session at 5:39 pm.*

Councilwoman Smith motioned to reopen regular session. Councilwoman Evans seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed. Resumed open session at 6:04 pm.

Councilman Moran motioned to approve the Executive Session decision on Personnel Bonuses. Councilman Edwards seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed.

10. New Business

- a. Schedule Workshop for Zoning – Council will coordinate with Gabby Hartage from the LCPC to see when in late January or February 2019 a time to have a workshop to discuss zoning.
- b. Councilwoman Smith requested that Council have a workshops/planning sessions to see if all of the ordinances that were mentioned in the Charter Amendment were in fact in place.
- c. Mayor Hawkins also read a thank you letter from the YMCA. The city's donation allowed a Flemington child to attend after-school care.

11. Unfinished Business

- a. Councilwoman Harwell requested that the Hinesville City Manager present to Council regarding fire services calculations. Mayor Hawkins stated that he will contact Hinesville requesting a meeting with documentation of their calculations.

12. Round Table

- a. Councilwoman Harwell stated that Keep Liberty Beautiful was having a “Bring One for the Chipper” event to shred live holiday trees at the Health Department on January 12th, 2019.
- b. Councilman Edwards said thank you to everyone on Council and their participation in making the City better. He thanked the City Clerk for the holiday decorations at City Hall and the Open House.
- c. Councilwoman Smith stated that she concurs with Councilman Edwards.
- d. Mayor Hawkins stated that he appreciates everyone on Council and everyone who works with and for the city.
- e. Councilwoman Evans thanked Mayor Hawkins for all he does for the city.
- f. Councilman Dasher thanked everyone for the calls, cards, food and flowers. Just the tremendous outpouring of care and sympathy for his family after his wife passed.
- g. Councilman Moran sent prayers to Councilman Dasher and wished everyone a Merry Christmas!

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13. Adjourn – *Councilman Dasher motioned to adjourn. Motion seconded by Councilman Edwards. All approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:24 pm.*